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A Call for **PEACE**



**Glory to God in the highest
heaven, and on earth peace to those
on whom His favor rests. - Luke 2:14**



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Frontline...

Two brothers who loved so dearly became enemies while dividing their property and did not talk to each other for months. The bitterness didn't allow them to face each other, so they decided to raise a wall between their farms and houses and called their father's friend, a mason, to do it for them. He promised to finish the work overnight and did so. In the morning, to their surprise, they found a bridge between their properties instead of a wall. They were furious at the mason in the beginning. Later, when they saw each other at the ends of the bridge, they hugged, forgave, and forgot their grudges. Yes, today we need masons like him to build bridges in families, churches, and society. We read in Matthew 5:9, "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God." Christmas is around the corner, and we are celebrating the birth of the Prince of Peace. He teaches us to be His ambassadors of peace in this chaotic and placeless world. We come across the word "peace" in the Bible 249 times, of which 156 times are in the Old Testament and 93 times are in the New Testament. If we need to be peacemakers, we need to have that peace within us that Jesus offers. John 14:27- Peace not as the world gives us, which is fleeting and changes with circumstances and gives only disappointment and disappears soon, but the one that Jesus gives, which is lasting.

Today, many people who live around us, including the rich and famous of this world, are searching for true peace, no matter how much they struggle to get it. Many are ready to make a pilgrimage on foot, torture themselves, and spend their time and wealth to get peace. But what we need these Christmas days are beautiful feet and loving lips that go forth to tell the Good News that the lasting peace will be available only through Christ and that it is free.

Being the children of God, let us become the peacemakers throughout the nation by proclaiming the peace that Jesus Christ has given us to the people around us, wherever we are placed. Let us share the peace that Jesus offers with those we know and even strangers. Let us be peacemakers, bringing the Lord of Peace, who came to bring peace to the world, into every home and heart this Christmas season.

- **Mercy Selwyn** (*Communication Department*)

Peace I leave with you; My peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid. - John 14:27

**As we pour out our bitterness, God pours in his peace.
- F.B. Meyer**

Finally, brothers and sisters, rejoice! Strive for full restoration, encourage one another, be of one mind, live in peace. And the God of love and peace will be with you. - 2 Corinthians 13: 11

**A great many people are trying to make peace, but that has already been done. God has not left it for us to do; all we have to do is to enter into it.
- D.L. Moody**

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From the General Secretary...



Dear Partners in the Mission of Reaching the Unreached Indians,

Greetings to you all in the Almighty Name of our Lord Jesus Christ!

We have entered the last month of the year 2022, and the festivity of Christmas is in the air. Though there were a lot of turmoil and uncertainties in our lives and across the world, the Lord has been our good refuge and has sustained us thus far. When we think of Christmas, one word pops out immediately, and that is "obedience." The first Christmas is made possible by the obedience of Jesus Christ to the plan of the Father to empty Himself and come into this world to die on the cross as a ransom for the redemption of mankind and creation. Christmas was made possible by the obedience of Mary to carry the Child Jesus and by the obedience of Joseph to the instruction not to leave his wife. The obedience of the shepherds, wise men, and many others cannot be ignored. The same character of obedience is required today more than ever to bring the Good News of Christmas to the masses of this nation. 2 John 6 says, "And this is love: that we walk in obedience to His commands. As you have heard from the beginning, His command is that you walk in love."

Qatar virtual conference: This virtual conference was conducted on 20th and 22nd October 2022 for the prayer group

leaders and donors of FMPB living in the Middle East countries. The meeting was a great blessing and I thank the organizers of the conference.

Karnataka State Conference: The 11th Karnataka State Conference was conducted in Bengaluru on 22nd and 23rd of October 2022 after a 2 years gap due to Corona. The civic authorities of Bengaluru had given yellow alert for heavy rain. God answered all our prayers and stopped the rain and the meeting was a great blessing to the 749 registered participants.

Meeting with Santhosha Vidhyalaya Principal: With Secretary HRD, I visited Santhosha Vidhyalaya, Dohnavur on 25th October 2022. In this residential School at present 220 missionaries' children of FMPB are studying. We discussed matters related to the children care and their studies. The school, staff and all children need our prayers.

Meeting Child Department Volunteers: God has blessed FMPB with talented and committed volunteers in all departments, and the Children's Department is no different. The meeting with them went very well, and we discussed the vision of the department to connect with all the children of FMPB supporters' families and its future plans.

Meeting with North India Mobilization Missionaries:

The meeting of the North India Mobilization Secretaries was organized in the scenic town of Siliguri of West Bengal. It was a great time of fellowship with these missionaries who are working alone and covering larger areas. Formation of new prayer groups is the main thrust for this mobilization area.

Meeting of Central Zonal missionaries:

The missionaries of the Central Zone, along with their families, gathered in Kakinada, Andhra Pradesh, for their spiritual conference in 2022. The meeting venue was the Emmanuel Church, Kakinada, which is also known as Benny's church. Pastor Sam Benny and his family are strong supporters of our ministry. The significant thing is that all the missionary families were accommodated in the Church's believers' houses. The meeting was a great blessing.

Scan Meeting Salem: On November 13, the Salem Scan family gathering was held despite the weather threat. The Lord blessed the meeting, and the highlight is the involvement of youngsters and our prayer group leader's children in organising the meeting.

Some more Meetings: A meeting is arranged with **Haggai faculty** on November 28 to discuss equipping our missionaries and second-line leaders through training programs. **Meetings of Field Zonal Secretaries** are scheduled from November 29 to December 1.

Forthcoming meetings

The next meeting of the **Management Committee** is scheduled for December 3

and 4, 2022. On December 5, a meeting between **FMPB and NSM leaders** is arranged to discuss the ministry partnership. The **Interim General Secretary of CNI Synod** has invited FMPB to attend the inaugural function of their 17th Synod meeting in Delhi and to bring greetings on December 7. On the 11th and 12th of December, I will be attending mobilisation meetings in the Tindivanam area.

Divisional Heads Prayer and Meeting:

From December 13th to 16th, there will be two days of fasting and prayer, as well as two days of meetings with divisional heads.

South Mobilization Meeting: I am planning to visit the Southern Zone mobilization leader's district wise from 27th December to 30th December.

Christmas Gift: FMPB provides a cash gift to its missionaries, retired missionaries, Evangelists, volunteers and material gift to the 13410 children of the children hostels. I request all the missionary and children sponsors and donors to generously donate to this cause. The donations will be pooled and then divided among the Lord's servants mentioned above. On behalf of FMPB, I wish all the missionaries, prayer group leaders and the supporters a blessed Christmas. May the Lord fill you and your households with joy and peace!

Your fellow sojourner in God's Mission



Rev. John Berlin S.



Celebrating God's Peace

1. Experiencing Peace

Our life is incomplete without peace, because Peace plays an important role in every Christian's life. The word 'Shalom' in the Old Testament denotes whole, healthy and complete life. The Bible talks about 'God's Peace', and 'Peace of God; we cannot separate these two. The Bible says in Romans 5:1, We have Peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

The beginning of Peace: It is important for a man to first have Peace with God his Creator, as all men are sinners. This can be done only through the Lord Jesus Christ. Prophet Isaiah had foretold the birth of 'Prince of Peace' in Isi 9:6. Therefore, our Savior Jesus Christ alone is the source of Peace and its foundation.

The proof of Peace: God alone is the proof of Peace. According to these Bible verses in Luke 24:36 and John 2:26, the Lord of Peace, Jesus Christ proclaimed Peace. When the angels of God brought

forth the Good News of the birth of the Lord Jesus Christ, it brought forth Peace to the people on earth (Luke 2:13,14). According to Hebrews 7:2 He is known as 'King of Peace'. God created man on earth to have peace with Him, but man destroyed that peace by wanting to do his own desires. To change this situation, by removing our sins, to restore the lost Peace between man and God, the Lord became man. The Savior Jesus Christ came into this earth as a baby. Isaiah 9:7 gives us the hope, how He will grant us this everlasting Peace. Isaiah 53:5 says, by carrying our sins on Himself, He gave us this Peace

The blessings of Peace: Today in this world, many have great wealth & fame, but are unable to experience this Peace, that's why people go for yoga, evil movies, wine and drugs, for such people, only the Savior Jesus Christ can grant them Peace. This Peace cannot be given or taken out by the world. Before telling others, that the Lord of Peace has been born, let's examine ourselves, whether we have this true Peace with God. Let's receive this Peace, for everyone who ask will receive (Mathew 7:8).

2. Experiencing Peace: (Eirene - Peace within you)

Once a king announced a competition for

all the artists in his kingdom. The king commanded the artists to draw pictures depicting peace in their art. Each of them drew different pieces of art. Among all the arts, only two were selected for the final round. One picture portrayed two swans swimming in a quiet pond. The other picture had waterfalls over a rugged mountain with its water splashing everywhere. As the king was deciding on for which art to give the prize, the king selected the second picture with the waterfalls on a rugged mountain where he saw a bird resting in its nest, in cleft and gave the first prize to this art. The bird resting quietly in a noisy surrounding depicted a beautiful picture for Peace.

A life of Peace is not the absence of difficulties and problems, but tranquility amidst all these struggles and problems.

Eirene - Inner Peace: In Greek, this Peace is known as 'Eirene'. This word means inner Peace. Only when you have right Peace with God, you can experience this inner Peace. This world is also trying to give this inner Peace, but it is temporary. The Lord has promised us eternal Peace in John 14:27. The Peace given by the world is seen outward and lasts for a limited period. This temporary Peace may last till death, problems or sickness comes. After that peaceless situation exists. But the Peace that the Lord Jesus gives us is eternal. This eternal Peace stays strong within us despite all the struggles around us. This is the true Peace that God gives us.

Enhancing Peace: Spirit filled or inner peace depends on our thoughts. In Romans 8:5-6, we read about 2 types of people, carnal minded people and spiritual minded people. If our mind thinks of worldly lusts, wealth, fame, and other worldly things, then we are carnal minded. And to be carnally minded is death. But if our mind thinks of righteousness, love, humility, self-control and such things of the Holy spirit, then we are spiritual minded. For to be spiritual minded is life and Peace. Therefore, to attain inner peace, we don't need to go to meditation centers and spiritual gurus. If we examine our inner thoughts and draw close to the living God, then we can obtain strong inner Peace.

Enjoyable Peace: The important aspect of achieving this Peace is becoming a Peacemaker among the brethren. The God who has called us to be Peacemakers, will also fill us with this Peace. For this, we should first be at Peace with God. Therefore, having been justified by faith, we have Peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Romans 5:1, to attain this true, inner Peace, we must read the blessed scriptures and follow them in our daily lives. Mathew 5:3-8, we need to be poor in spirit, meek, hunger and thirst for righteousness, merciful, pureness in heart and Peacemaking. When these blessed verses take root in our lives, then we can achieve this inner Peace and experience this joyful Peace. To first love the Lord God, then loving our neighbor before loving ourselves helps us experience this peace. Let each of us experience this inner joyful Peace during this Christmas season

3. **Extended Peace:** **(Shalom - Peace with others)**

The Peace that is known as Shalom, makes a man realize the inner Peace within. This inner Peace from within helps us to be at Peace with others. When you can sustain your inner Peace, only then your outward shalom Peace can also be sustained. According to the Holy Scriptures in Hebrews 12:14, we have been called to pursue Peace with all people. John 1:12 says but as many as received Him, He gave the right to become the children of God, to those who believe in His name. But according to Mathew 5:9, when you become Peacemakers, you will be called the Sons of God. Most of us still exist as God's children. But to grow matured as sons and daughters, we must become Peacemakers with others. The Peace that we have received from God which has come from above, known as Shalom, should not reside within us but also be passed on to others. This shalom should be seen outwardly among our family members, in work place, acquaintances and with all those whom we meet. Then only we know that we have received this true inner peace. This is what the early Church meant when they greeted each other with "Shalom".

Seek peace: The God of love and peace will be with us when we are at peace with others. When we come into God's presence, we need to find out if we have lost our peace with someone, reconcile

with them, and restore the lost Peace. We read in I Peter 3:11, 'let him turn away from evil and do good, let him seek Peace and pursue it'. If this peace has been lost in us, we must submit ourselves to turn away from evil. The Psalmist says in psalm 34:14, seek Peace and pursue it.

Pursue Peace: Romans 14:19 says, Let us therefore make every effort to do what leads to Peace and to mutual edification.' Paul writes to Timothy in 2 Timothy 2:22, Flee the evil desires of youth and pursue righteousness, faith, love and peace, along with those who call on the Lord out of a pure heart. If that is so, we are entitled to be at Peace with our fellow church members to become spiritually sanctified.

Fight for Peace: Life is a struggle. In this life to live in Peace with people around us is a big challenge. While taking holy communion, it is easy to say 'Peace' to those in our left and right side. But we are called to be Peace makers with those who have done evil to us and to those who are a struggle in our lives. Our Lord has taught us to forgive them and pray for them. Paul says in Ephesians 4:3, Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace. In this Christmas season, let us speak to those whom we have struggled to forgive and restore our lost Peace with them.

4. **Expanding Peace:** **(Go and Spell)**

When the peace overflows within us that must flow out to others; that is Gospel. In

this world population, a good number of people have lost their houses, possession, families and are in a Peaceless state. According to the Global Peace Index survey, India stands in 139th place. So a huge number of people are waiting to receive this Good News of Peace.

Gospel of Peace: Who will share the Gospel of Peace to those seeking Peace from temples, mountains, and rivers in our nation? Gospel is to share the love of Christ to those who do not have Peace. Our Lord Jesus Christ preached Peace as Gospel (Acts 10:36, Ephesians 2:17) Therefore Gospel is the Gospel of Peace. We read in Isaiah 52:7, Nahum 1:15 and Romans 10:15 that how beautiful are the feet of those who preach the Gospel of Peace. According to Luke 2:14, Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth Peace to those on whom his favour rests.” Although Peace has been proclaimed on this earth, Peace resides in the hearts of those who have accepted the Lord Jesus

as their Savior. When God has filled us with His Peace, we can share it with those who are lacking peace and are Peaceless.

Who will preach the Gospel of Peace?:

Saint Paul says in Ephesians 6:13-17, that every Christian must take up the whole armor of God to overcome the struggles of Life. Verse 15 says and with your feet fitted with the readiness that comes from the Gospel of Peace. We need many people with these Gospel of Peace in this Christmas season. True Christmas is sharing this known Peace to those who don't know Peace. Therefore, let us take this Gospel of Peace with prayer during this Christmas season to the people of our nation such as those who are around us, our friends, relatives, enemies, and those who are Peaceless. Let the God of Peace helps us! In this Christmas season, let Christ fill your hearts and homes with this Peace!

Rev. Francis J. Singh
(Retired Missionary- FMPB)

Thiruninravur Region's Field Visit and Church Dedication

A Church had been built by Mr. Prasanth and Mr. Benington of Sevapettai, Tiruninravur Region in Sunderpahadia Field in Jharkhand. On May 1, an eight-person team went from there and dedicated the Church to God's glory. There were around 300 believers gathered for the dedication. They were worshipping the Lord in a cowshed because they could not buy land to build this Church. When we heard the testimony that this Church land had been donated by a poor woman believer, it motivated us to pray and give even more for this missionary work. Glory to God!





THE FIRST CHRISTMAS



In today's world, the Smart phone and All the social media apps like Google, WhatsApp, Facebook, and YouTube have become very important in the lives of our people. It is indeed a marvel to see these things, which appeared 20 years ago but have gained a foothold in the nooks and crannies of our nation. In comparison, the technology of 2G has jumped over to 6G at lightning speed, which is being used as a network in the hands of the evil one in modern India. It is indeed very sad to note that the news of the birth of Jesus Christ has not reached the interior pockets of our land, India. We praise God for all the missionaries who have heard and experienced the birth of Jesus in their lives and have marched to proclaim this Good News to those people groups who haven't heard about this first coming of Jesus even once in their lives. The driving force behind this movement to proclaim this Good News to the countless villages in which Churches are being planted is only possible through your prayers.

Nanakmata Field in Utharakhand was opened on August 4, 2021. It is a boon to the Rai Sikhs who in large numbers are gathering at the feet of our Lord Jesus. Two families from Tiyyuti and Issam Nagar, Satvinder Singh and Baljinder Singh had accepted Jesus Christ and celebrated Christmas for the first time in their lives. Satvinder Singh in the village of Tiyyuti had high blood sugar, due to which he was close to death three times. All the magicians' efforts to bring healing by performing pujas and offering to idols did not bring the desired results.

Last year, when our missionaries had gone to their village to proclaim the Gospel, Baljeet Kaur, the wife of Satvinder Singh, invited the missionaries inside their house and shared all their problems. When it was made clear that Jesus had come into the world just to save them, they believed. The missionaries conducted Sunday services in their house for the next two consecutive weeks. God healed him completely, and as a gesture of gratitude, the whole family confessed their faith in the Lord Jesus as the true God. So they celebrated their first Christmas—the birth of Jesus—in their homes. Through this, many are showing interest in the Gospel. In the same way, some families in Kanwant and Aspura villages in Rajasthan, in Ajithghar Field, also happily celebrated the birth of Jesus. We covet your prayers so that this might continue in all the villages wherever our

missionaries have stepped in. It was possible for us to celebrate this Christmas because the missionaries who had come afar from their home land to India had gifted us this Good News. As we celebrate our Lord Jesus' first coming, let us remember our believers in our prayers for all who want to celebrate Christmas but will be unable to do so as a congregation due to opposition. Let us also thank the Lord for all the believers who will celebrate Christmas for the first time in their lives.

Bro. Cymer Selwyn

Avadi Region's Field Visit and Church Dedication

On September 13, a group of ten of us left Chennai for Jharkhand. We witnessed the cultural programme by the children in the Kairabani children's home in Nala Field. Following that, the Church that had been built by Mr. Peter and his family was dedicated to the glory of God by Pastor Paul Arumainayagam. We gathered in Dumka and listened to the things that the Lord had done in those fields. We took time to praise the Lord and also to pray for the needs in the mission field. We attended the service at the Church in Urathiya Pathar village, Masiliya field. After a time of prayer at Kairabani we reached Chennai. The commitment of the missionaries, the knowledge of the home children, their discipline, and the enthusiasm of the new believers encouraged us to increase our prayer and to get involved in this divine ministry. Glory be to God!



Madurai Region's Field Visit

A team of 15 left for Jhansi in Uttar Pradesh from Madurai on September 20. We had a time of fasting and prayer with the missionaries of Sipril, Budelkhand Region. In the evening, the children of Jhansi Girls Home recited the Bible verses, performed cultural programs, and glorified God. We witnessed the graduation ceremony at the National Institute of Mission for the missionaries passing out of the training centre. We visited Dabra and the Moth Fields and worshipped the Lord and prayed along with the believers there. We were burdened to keep asking the Lord of the Harvest in our everyday prayers to send out more harvesters into the field that is ripening.



Chennai Redhills field visit - Jammu

On September 30, an 11-person team left Chennai for Jammu to visit the ministry there. We were moved to pray for the Bhagats and Kotli people groups as we visited them because they face severe opposition. God enabled us to go and visit and list the Valmiki Maro, Samiyars, and Jhat people groups of Dumil village in Uthampur field. Then



we went to R. S. Pura, Kathuva, and Akhnoor Fields, where we discovered that the main threat to people's lives is the presence of antisocial elements. We went to Basholi Field and saw believers from the Mahasa, Samiyar, and Muslim people groups, as well as the difficulties of missionaries travelling ministry on the rugged hills. We got the opportunity to take part in worships conducted in houses in Narot, Samba and Ramgarh fields. We were burdened during the fasting prayer to build a Church for the worship group at Narot. We returned home with the determination to pray more for the missionaries' safety, the challenges they face, and the opposition they face in the mission fields.

North Chennai's Field Visit

God enabled us, a team of 23, to visit Maharashtra, the state that is being supported by the Chennai Mobilization, on October 6 for 7 days. We had a time of fasting and prayer at Sangvi home for the ministries done in those fields. All of us were



elderly, but God still strengthened us during this mission trip. God enabled us to visit the ministries done in two areas. As we visited, we realised the need for Churches in a few of the villages. We entrusted the need to the team that was with us, and God has placed a burden on our hearts to build Churches in these villages sponsored by our team members.

Chennai Redhills Field Visit - Odisha

A 15-member team from Chennai Redhills prayer group left for Sakdi Field in Jashipur, Odisha, on October 19. We took part in the 4th anniversary of the Thulkipada Church. The believers' involvement, piety, and worship amazed us. In the evening, we met the 130 children in the Sakidi children's home and witnessed the way they are growing up spiritually and in all areas of their lives. The next day we took part in a worship service conducted in a house. We pray that this congregation will be able to build a church to worship the Lord there. We also met the Sonamara Church believers, and their Church is only half constructed. We prayed that the Lord would enable them to complete it. We attended the Church dedication at Kumari built by Mr. Sam Suyambu & Mr. Babu. Then we had a time of fasting and prayer with the missionaries at Sakdi Church. We also got the opportunity to see Graham Stain's hospital, house, and Church. We returned home with a thankful heart.



Chennai Redhills field visit - Himachal

On October 20, a team of 11 from the Redhills area left for Himachal. We attended the worship conducted in Mr. Sunil's house and heard the Word of God and the thrilling testimonies of the believers in Jalwadi village, Rohuru Field. Then we visited Thakledge



village in Rampur Field, and following that, we had a time of fasting and prayer with the missionary families in Rampur LTI for the points shared by the missionaries ministering there. We shared God's Word, taught new songs to the children, and had a time of prayer in Gounda village in Reckong Peo field during a day of gatherings. We moved on to Thanedar Field, where we saw the cave in which Sadhu Sundersingh used to pray. We, too, had the opportunity to pray for Himachal from the same location. We visited and prayed in one of the oldest Churches in Shimal, which belongs to the CNI diocesan. Praise be to God!

TRAIL BLAZERS



The Costly Trade - Jesus for few eggs

David and Svea Flood

In 1921, a missionary couple named David and Svea Flood went with their two year old son David, from Sweden to the heart of Africa called Belgian Congo. They met up with another young Scandinavian couple, the Ericksons, and the four of them sought God for direction. They were led by the Lord, to take the gospel to the remote village of N'dolera. The Chief however, did not let them enter his village for fear of alienating the local gods. The two couples opted to go half a mile up the slope and built their own mud huts.

They prayed for a breakthrough, but there was none. Their only contact with the villagers was a small boy who sold

chickens and eggs twice a week. Svea started to share the gospel to the boy. After many weeks of loving and witnessing, he accepted Christ as his Saviour. Meanwhile, malaria struck them, one after the other, so The Ericksons returned to the central mission station.

Svea was pregnant, and hence, the village chief took pity on Svea and allowed a midwife to help her during the delivery. A little girl was born. They named her Aina. The delivery was exhausting, as she was already weak because of malaria and died in a few days.

David's heart was full of bitterness, because of this. He buried his 27 year old wife, gave his newborn girl to The Ericksons couple and took his 2 year old David and returned to Sweden rejecting not only his calling, but God himself. Within 8 months both The Ericksons were stricken with a mysterious illness and died.

Nine month old Aina was given to an American missionary Berg, who adjusted her name to Aggie, but were afraid to return to Africa, due to some legal obstacles, which might separate her from them (Since they had been unable to legally adopt her). So, they decided to stay in the U.S and switch from missionary to pastoral ministry. After some years she met and married a young preacher named Dewey Hurst. Aggie gave birth to a daughter and later, a son. Her husband became the President of a Christian College in the Seattle area. Aggie was intrigued to find so much Scandinavian heritage there. One day a Swedish religious magazine appeared in her mailbox. While going through it, all of a sudden a photo stopped her cold. There in a primitive setting in the heart of Africa was a grave with a white

cross and on the cross was her mother's name - Svea Flood.

Aggie with the help of a college faculty translated the story. The article said that gradually, the now grown up boy from the village won all his students and the children, leading them and their parents to Christ. Even The Chief had become a Christian.

And the boy as a grown man became head of the Pentecostal church and leader of 110,000 Christians in Zaire. It would be forty years before God's amazing grace and His real plan for the village of N'dolera would be known.

For Dewey and Aggie Hurst's twenty-fifth wedding anniversary, the college gave them a gift to go on a vacation to Sweden. Aggie's father, David Flood had remarried, fathered four more and was addicted to alcohol. He had one rule in his family, that they should never mention the name of God, because God took everything from him.

Aggie was also told not to use the word God to her father. Aggie walked into the apartment and approached the 73 year old man. When she called her father he turned and began to cry telling he never meant to give her away. Aggie took him gently in her arms and said God had taken care of her. Instantly, David's tears stopped and turning to the wall, he said God had forgotten all of them and their lives were miserable. Aggie explained to her father all that had happened to the people of N'dolera. She said her mother had not died in vain and that one seed of the boy has grown and is still growing. She said because her parents obeyed the call of God that now 600 African people served the Lord. She also added that God loves her papa and

has never hated him. The old man began to talk and came back to God. Within a few days he passes away to eternity.

A few years later, The Hursts were attending a high-level evangelism conference in London. The superintendent of the national church representing 110,000 baptized believers spoke of the gospel spread in his nation. After the conference Aggie went up and introduced herself as the daughter of David and Svea Flood. The man began to weep and said that he was the boy who brought food for her parents before she was born. He also added that, she should come to Africa because her mother was the most famous person in their history.

In time Aggie and her husband travelled there. They were welcomed. The pastor took her to her mother's grave which was marked with a white cross. She knelt in the soil of Africa to pray and give thanks. In the church service, John 12:24 was read which says "I tell you, unless a kernel of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains only a single seed. But if it dies, it produces many seeds." May be David Flood thought that God had forsaken them, and that thought became the reason for him to backslide from his calling as a missionary and that he was a backslider, from his faith in God. But when he came to know what the Lord has done through their life, he recommitted his life.

So, when you go through the valley of discouragement, defeat, doubt, disappointments, just take time to think about that God is for us and all that He had done through us. This will motivate us to fall back on God for more grace, to pursue the race that he has for us.

- Mercy Selwyn

KAMDIWAN CHURCH HISTORY



FROM THE BEGINNING TO
SEPTEMBER 2016
AHWA FIELD
SAHYADRI REGION
GUJARAT (WESTERN) ZONE

Written By **REV. DR. L. MASILAMANI**

The Beginning

On 8-5-1981, L. Masilamani family opened the Ahwa field by settling in a rented house in Pipaldahad village. As the Dolyambar village headman and other new believers invited the missionaries to their village, missionaries moved to Dolyambar village on 12-3-1983. Many people from the nearby villages came to Dolyambar seeking healing from Christ. God performed many miracles and many people believed in Jesus. Evangelist Sampathbhai and Bharatbhai were working with the missionaries in the beginning. L. Masilamani family continued in the Ahwa field ministry till they were given responsibility in the Ahwa regional office on 1-4-1993.

In April, 1993, Rev. Bethuel Bardhan family took charge of Ahwa field by living in Garkhadi village. In July 1995, Rev. D. Abraham's family joined Grakhadi field (Ahwa field) as a coworker to the Rev. Bethuel Bardhan's family. In April 1996, D. Abraham family took charge of Garkhadi field (Ahwa field) as Rev. Bethuel was transferred to Maharashtra state.

Kamdiawan congregation was established by the Church of North India evangelist Rev. Madhukar M. Pawar in the year 1981. God chose Gangarambhai family

Kamdiawan is located in The Dangs Taluka of The Dangs district, Gujarat comprising 63 families. The Kamdiawan village has a population of 320 out of which 161 are males while 159 are females as per Population Census 2011. The literacy rate of Kamdiawan is low when compared to that of Gujarat state. As per the constitution of India and Panchyati Raaj Act, the Kamdiawan village is administered by the Sarpanch (Head of Village) who is an elected representative of the village. Most of the village population in Kamdiawan village are from Schedule Tribe (ST). Schedule Tribe (ST) constitutes 99.69 % of total population in Kamdiawan village. The Scheduled Caste (SC) population is nil in Kamdiawan village of The Dangs. In Kamdiawan village out of total population, 216 are engaged in work activities among whom 61 workers engaged in Main Work, 52 are cultivators (owner or co-owner) while 5 were Agricultural labourers.

as the first Christian in this village. His wife became sick. He tried to heal her by following the traditions of his tribal faith. He offered many fowls, goats and many other things as offerings to the gods through the religious priests known locally as 'Bhagats' or 'Shaman.' But she could not see any improvement in her health. At that time he met a Christian named Sakarambhai from Karadiamba village while he was working as agricultural labourer in his field in Kamdiawan village. He became a Christian through the CNI ministry at Mulchond village in 1978. Gangarambhai shared with Sakarambhai about her wife's sickness. Then Sakarambhai advised Gangarambhai to come to the prayer meeting held in his home every Friday and pronounced that God would surely heal her. So Gangarambhai's wife started attending this prayer meeting in Karadiamba village. Gangarambhai was a drunkard and was hesitant to leave his habit of drinking liquor. Later on he also stopped his liquor drinking and attended this prayer meeting. Gangarambhai's wife's health was improving slightly. Then Madhukar M. Pawar was appointed as a CNI evangelist and he started meeting the scattered CNI Christians in the eastern Dangs areas. He conducted a weekly meeting in Gangarambhai's home every Monday night. This is the beginning of establishing a congregation in Kamdiawan village.

Church Growth:

Regular night meetings were conducted in Gangarambhai's home by evangelist Madukar M. Pawar. Sick people were attracted to get healing through prayers

to God in these prayer meetings. One such family was the Punyabhai family. His daughter fell sick. He tried to get healing for her through following the traditional methods of offering to the gods through the religious priests. But it did not work. Then he approached the evangelist Madhukar in the prayer meeting held in Gangarambhai's home. Punyabhai describes his testimony below:



"I was in darkness. My ancestors lived in darkness. They all lived and died. We did not know the truth. In our village evangelist Madhukar M. Pawar used to come and visit the family of Gangarambhai and conduct prayer meetings. Once my daughter was sick. I tried to cure her by following our traditional ways of healing the sick people through the shaman (religious priests). But she was not healed. Madhukar Bhai used to visit on Mondays. He came on a Monday to Gangarambhai's home and was conducting a prayer meeting. I was in an inebriated mood. Madhubhai asked me to participate in the prayer meeting. He replied that he was drunk. But he persuaded me to participate in the meeting. I told him that my daughter was very sick and enquired how much it would cost to bring her to the meeting. He told me that I need not spend any money and purchase any coconut or any other thing to bring my daughter, but faith in Jesus Christ

was enough. Then I brought my daughter to the meeting. Madhukar prayed for my daughter and told me that he would come on next Monday for a prayer meeting and before that my daughter would be healed. Just as he told me, my daughter became well before the next Monday. So I started following Christian faith. Our village people were opposing us and told us to leave the Christian faith. But I told them that my daughter could not be healed through the bhagats and God had healed my daughter and I would never leave the Christian faith. Some were trying to attack us on our way. But we were afraid of them. I was recruited as a cook in the Ahwa Nav Jeevan hostel with the help of missionary L. Masilamani. After that I returned to my village. My daughter got married and had a baby boy in her first delivery. But after the delivery my daughter died. We could not bear that pain. We had to support my grandson who was just a baby. So we went to Ahwa in search of livelihood. We used to bring firewood from the forest and sell it for our survival and to purchase milk for the baby. At that time missionary L. Masilamani again helped us by sending us to work as a cook in the Bethel hostel in Valsad. I worked for three years there. Afterwards we returned home. We are all doing well now in our village. My son Dhillip has finished 11th standard in Khergam by staying in FMPB hostel. Later he worked as a cook in the Jhawda FMPB school. Now he works as a supervisor for the workers in the sugarcane fields in Surat district. My grandson studied in the Bethel hostel and now he is working as a police officer.”



Jeevu Bhai donated his land at the time of the first Church construction in 1993. His brother-in-law Parthambhai became a Christian through the guidance of his sister Sunderben. Parthambhai describes his coming to Christian faith as below:



“I was working as a caretaker of cattle as a shepherd in Thorpada village. I had a fever. I came to my village Kamdiawan. I tried to heal myself by following our traditional methods of giving sacrifices like fowls and other things to our gods through ‘pujaris’ called “bhagats.” But my temperature kept rising and I was not cured. My sister’s husband Sanpathbhai was a Christian. He guided me to follow Christian faith. I went to the Church and through prayers I was healed and joined the Church on 26-12-1981 in Mulchond village. Parthambhai is an active Christian in this village. At present he serves as the catechist for the Kamdiawan Church.”

Thus the Kamdiawan congregation grew every year. After 1982, Church of North India handed over the Kamdiawan congregation and other congregations

in the eastern Dangs district to FMPB under the care of Ahwa field missionary Rev. L. Masilamani. From 1983, FMPB evangelists Sampathbhai and Bharat Bhai were conducting the night meetings in Kamdiawan village in Gangarambhai's house till a Church was built in 1993. For Sunday services Kamdiawan Christians were going to Chinchli at first in 1981, then to Vaidoon Church in 1982 and then to Sadadvahir Church from 1984.

Church Construction:

When the number of people increased to 18 families, missionary L. Masilamani was requested to build a Church building in Kamdiawan. Then a kacha Church was constructed in Kamdiawan. They constructed it in 1993. Rev. S. R. Money of the Bhandup Tamil Methodist Church's pastor in Mumbai, dedicated the first Kamdiawan Church on 3-5-1993. The old Church was constructed in the same place where the new Church stands today. constructed. There was no opposition for Church construction. Even during the 1998 persecution in the state, there was no opposition. Free labour was given by the believers for the Church construction. It is a pucca Church with an asbestos roof. The size of the Church is in length 35 feet and in width 20 feet. The total believers in this Church are 1014. Kamdiawan Church was integrated with Gujarat Diocese of Church of North India fully in April 2013. Kamdiawan Church comes under the Karadiamba pastorate. Congregations were established in Gadad, Dumriya, Naktiavant, Kamdiawan, Karanjadi villages. Let His name be glorified.

Kaliyakkavilai Prayer Group's Field Visit and Church Dedication



A team of 16, including five women from Kaliyakkavilai in Kanyakumari district, went to Sahayatri Region in Gujarat on October 21st to see the ministries done there. We attended the service at Katchichila Church in Khanvel Field. Following that, we dedicated the Thapilona Church and attended the night meetings at Randha and Palaandi villages. We met the girls in Pipalwada hostel and the children in St. Thomas English School in Jhawda and moved on for a night meeting in Kadamba village in Keelipani field and worship services in Amdhawa village in Ahawa field, and Dhulchond in Saakarabathal field. We returned home after attending the night meeting at Madhuban Church in Umargam Field.



Happy Birthday
MRS. NISHA MONGWAI PHOM

Jammu

Basholi:

**Surkar Rameshbhai &
Sunitaben; Subhani &
Emy Backia**

Praise God for: The 5 villages where the Gospel was shared. 7 New believers were added to His fold. 12 night meetings, 6 film ministries, 2 seekers camps, 4 children camps and 2 youth camps were conducted. 1 Bible and 50 New testaments were distributed. Delivering Rakesh from demon possession. God healed Mohamad Khurem from kidney stone and Kuldeep from liver infection. For the believers who along with their family is helping in sharing the Gospel.

Pray for: Those children who attended the children class to accept the Lord, and through them their parents to accept the Lord.

Those who oppose the Gospel to accept the Lord. Rushtam to be healed from kidney stone and Sonu from paralytic attack. Rajyavnedar and family to be blessed with children.



Serpent trampled!

The missionary went to Yellaram village of Jimmalagatta field, in Maharashtra, prayed for the sick and started to another village called Kamasur along with another believer for a night meeting. They had to cover the forest area which had no villages or roads by foot. It was dark and raining too. They feared an encounter with some animal as a woman was killed by a bear when she had been collecting beedi leaves in the same forest in recent days. As they walked the missionary stamped over a big snake which slipped rashly from under his foot. They both saw the snake that crossed them and praised the Lord for protecting them from it. That day and the following days God blessed the night meeting, and the outreach ministry done among those villages.





Happy Birthday

MR. JOHNSON RAJADURAI
MRS. BHUSARE SHAILA CHINTAMAN
MR. THANGIAKMUAN
MRS. ANAMIKA PEGU

Samba:

**David Ayyanar &
Manpreet Kaur**

Praise God for: Gospel was shared to 800 people. 4 new villages were reached with the Gospel. 4 new believers were added to His fold. 15 New Testaments and 2 Bibles were distributed. For the 2 new families from Kootah village who are showing interest in the Gospel and a worship group was newly started here. The believers are regularly attending the Bible study. Joel was delivered from demon possession. Neelam was healed from disc problem. The believers are helping in reaching their village people with the Gospel.

Pray for: The believers and elders of Rediyan village to support us in developing the ministry in Samba area. The elders of Sungwali village are to be strong in their faith in the midst of opposition. Kuldeep is to be delivered from evil possession, Roshan from severe skin infection. Deepu Devi is opposed by her family

from participating Sunday worship. The backslidden believers of Rakha and Dhunth villages are to renew their faith in Jesus Christ. Many people are to respond to the gospel in the villages - Chadwal, Mangloor, Pargwal and Mawa, where we had already reached. A suitable place for Sunday worship in Samba area and suitable lands for the church constructions are in Sungwali and Rediyan villages.

**HIMACHAL
PRADESH**

Jeori:

**Jamkhongam Hoikip &
Irene**

Praise God for: 112 people and 2 new villages were newly reached with God's word. The deliverance to Harish Nepali from life threatening possession of evil spirit. Outreach ministry was carried out in 7 villages.

Pray for: The missionary to receive healing from uric acid issues and his wife from ear infection. The believers' families who are involving in alcoholism and having bad fellowship to be delivered from their sinful habits. The following believers who are facing court cases – Meera, Hiralal, Evan, Shoba & Chetri's son to be freed from cases soon. The healing of Ajaybor family from mental issues, Anjana - epilepsy and Shyamsingh - breathing problem and Chandrakala -lameness.



Happy Birthday
MRS. BEAULAH ANNA SHANTHINI BRIGHT

**Reckong Peo:
Paplu Paraseth &
Kalpana Mallick;
Shankar A & Ruth**

Praise God for: 528 people and 11 villages were newly reached with God's word. 3 believers were added into His fold. Yumuna, Suresh, Sasi Kumar, Rajkumari, Inderjit and Baba Kashi family who show interest in the Gospel and are responding to the truth. Prativa a Government Doctor who has listened to the Gospel and sought prayer for.

Pray for: Our believers Mohan, Ravi, Ashok to get a good job. New seekers to accept the lordship of Christ. For Odes, Iswarlal, Maheswar, Munnu and Namghel who oppose the Gospel to know the love of our Lord. For our

believer Sunita to have safe delivery.

**Rampur:
Doujapao Guite &
Florence Lamvung**

Praise God for: 4 Bibles and 16 New Testaments were distributed. 863 people were newly reached with the Gospel. 9 Gospel films were screened and 3 seekers meetings were conducted. 3 people were added into His fold. The Lord delivered Rekha from the clutches of evil spirits through our prayers. Sunil of Tutu got permanent status in his job from 20 years of contract work in IPH. Vidyasagar had undergone successful eye operation. Phool Maya had relieved from severe stomach ache when her husband Karchunlama and children prayed for her. God delivered Santosh from fears through prayers.

Pray for: Sushma of Sari village to grow strong in her faith. Vimla Devi to get complete deliverance from evil spirit attacks and Bresti Devi is to have peaceful and sound sleep.



PUNJAB

Moga:

Justin & Saral Jansi Rani

Praise God for: A team from south India visited the field and we had a blessed time of prayer and fellowship. 350 people and a village were newly reached. Charandas got healed from severe stomach pain. Pooja heard the Gospel accepted the Lord. Gurjeet Kaur was delivered from the evil spirit. God healed Jothi, Kurmail Kaur, Rani, Praveen Kaur, Raji and Charanjeet from various sicknesses through prayer. Nitu a believer is blessed with a Christian spouse.

Pray for: The believers who are not attending Sunday service and those who have backslidden to be restored. An open door for the Gospel in Ajithwal, Jalalabath, Chudchak, Raikot, Kotly, Dharamkot, Bopara, Pinderkalan, Kishan Pura, Jagron, Chiddek and Dudike villages. Charanjeet Singh to be delivered from alcohol addiction. Reeja, Riki, Rasan, Harpreet Kour, Mamta Rijian and Seema to be blessed with children. Our volunteers to assist in our ministry in Buttar where we are planning to open a sub station and

also to get a committed evangelist. The Lord to heal Malka from Kidney stone, Gurmeet Kour - stomach tumor, Ramesh - cancer, Salma-Epilepsy, Salma, Ramandeep Kour, Jasbinder Singh and Manjeet Kour from paralysis. Gurjeet Kour, Kaljeet and Blessy to be delivered from evil spirit possession. Kanjan to get a suitable Christian life partner.

Budhlada Region:
Hamom Naba Singh & Dulanti Reang

Praise God for: A gathering of Believers Meet in Budhlada field was successfully conducted and approximately 2000 people were blessed through it. Jagsir Singh from Chine village got an electric shock on his head but God saved his life. Sanjana, Soma and Keval got delivered from evil spirit.

Pray for: The need of committed young people to join as volunteers in Moonak, Talwari and Bareta. Evangelist Lali had quit the ministry is disturbing our ministry to refrain from interfering with our ministry. Varinder lures the believers in Phapad Moonak to stop his vile behavior and our believers to discern the truth and not to believe his lies. Worship groups to be newly formed in Lela Kalan, Kuliriya villages. Neeraj, Mona, Rajini, Parveen, Geeta and Jessi are crossing the marriageable age to get suitable life partners. The court is to give permission to Neeraj to join the job for which he had been selected.



Sangrur:

**Issac Abel &
Anna Roselin**

Praise God for: 3 Satsangs, 2 Gospel film Programs were organized, and 5 people had confessed their faith. God delivered Bul Bul from stomach pain and evil spirit possession. Sarabjit Kour had conceived after she got deliverance from demon possession.

Pray for: Ravi, Kamalesh, Ram Pal, Bul Bul to be strengthened in the Lord. Sarabjit Kour's mother in law who hinders our ministry from conducting programs in Kahan Garh village to repent from her attitude. Our efforts to get new contacts in the villages where Satsang programs were conducted. Our Church elders - Sitta Singh, Rina and Sony Kour to take efforts to extend the ministry.

Our target to conduct 2 Satsang programs, 6 Gospel film programs, 6 new villages and reach 900 people to be achieved.

Budhalada:

**Krupa Rakshana &
Shakena**

Praise God for: 5680 people were newly reached with the Gospel. Mass outreach programmes were newly conducted in 14 villages. 19 children programs, 16 women programs, 8 Youth programs, 17 training programs were conducted. Tarsem Singh who is recovering from AIDS, TB and black jaundice is now able to walk from Barnala field to attend the worship service. 11 persons have started to attend Church regularly from Bathinda Field. 13 persons were added into His fold.

Pray for: God's healing touch upon Sashibala Sharma who is suffering from 8 years of un-diagnosable illness and suffering from severe pain. The believers who have gone to different places during harvest season to be protected from all possible dangers.



HARYANA

Tosham:

S John Davidson & Esther

Praise God for: 3 villages were newly reached with the Gospel. 6 New Testaments were distributed. 13 night meetings, 13 satsangs and outreach ministry was done in 5 places. Youth meeting was conducted and the youth boys have taken resolution to live a holy life for Jesus Christ. God delivered Phulo Devi from demon possession by His grace. She is now propagating Gospel in her village Balawas. Her husband has developed good prayer life and is keen in leading the Bible study group. Our Church Elder Bansi, who has developed to the level of delivering God's Word in the Church service.

Pray for: The Church elders to be trained in Jind & Tosham areas. Rajpal of Balawas, Sitaram of Dhanimahu, Kakku of Bhojraj,

Sanjay of Ashrafgarh, Prataab of Khanak, and Ram Bhagath of Sungarpur are responsive to the Gospel. Ajay, Balwan, Ashish, Satto, Vinay, Pinky, Kanwari, Baliali, Mamta, Suresh, Indro Ravinder, Mukesh and their families to taste the Love of God and to Confess their faith in the Lord. Dhanak people group in Jind and Tosham to repent from lukewarm nature and grow in the Lord.



Creation obeys!

The Sonesh Hasda and his family from Lotkundi village in Malda Field, West Bengal, are the only believers in that village. One night, because of rain and heavy wind, the trees were swaying vigorously. They were afraid that the banyan tree that stood beside their house would fall on their house. Gripped with fear, they all looked to the Lord for help. God saved all the inmates of the house during that night, even when their house shook as if there had been an earthquake. Miraculously, the tree did not fall, even when many other trees fell on the roadside. All glory to God.





Happy Birthday

MRS. BEENAKSHI B. VASAVA SUNIL
MR. BIDHAN HANSDA

Pehowa:

**Babubhai Bhorsat &
Saraswatiben**

Praise God for: The Gospel has been shared in 7 villages and 500 people were reached. 18 people were added to His fold. 18 Satsang meetings, 6 women's meetings, and 3 Bible studies were conducted. Gospel was shared through 3 film shows to 150 people. Lakhan from Rajod village came into Christ. Anita won the case. A boy named Sagar had a problem in his brain that was healed by prayer. Relina and Babla were delivered from the evil spirit. Sanju who opposed the Gospel came to Christ. In Kushal Mangara village, a man named Gurupal was affected with evil spirit. He visited many temples and hospitals for years and one of his relatives, Darshan preached God's word to him and gave testimony in the family prayer. Then he accepted

Jesus as the personal Saviour and he is the first believer from Jat Sikhs.

Pray for: Anita, Gita, Tamana, Rooni, and Azad to confess their faith boldly. Chandar to be delivered from alcohol addiction. Johny and his wife Preeti of Sirta village to live together. Kamlesh of Kaithal to be healed from a tumor in her stomach and Bala of Ramnagar colony from typhoid. Anju, Anu, Karit, Susma, and Sati of Khurana village, to be delivered from the evil spirit.



**The battle belongs
to the Lord!**

Shobha, from the Koya community of Jimmalagatta Field in Maharashtra, put her faith in Jesus in Kishtapur Village. So the entire village gathered at the panchayat and threatened Shoba with excommunication if she did not abandon her faith. They fixed a day to re-convert her. She shared about this with tears to the missionary and the believers. They encouraged her and prayed for her. Our Lord intervened and did not let them execute their plan of re-converting Shoba. Praise the Lord.





Happy Birthday

MISS. DONZACHIN
MRS. RINA ARONSINGH

Uttarakhand

Maldhanchaur:
Shishu Pal & Anita

Praise God for: 5 people were added in His fold. Gospel was shared in 3 new villages. 538 people were reached. 75 New Testaments and 2 Bibles were distributed. 15 Satsangs meetings, 7 outreach programs, 21 night meetings, and 1 youth meeting were conducted. 4 new prayer cells were formed. Shinku and Mahesh were healed from mental sickness. Anita, a village Panchayat Secretary was delivered from the effect of witchcraft when she was brought for prayer by her relatives, from which she had been suffering for 7 years and had spent rupees 7 lakhs.

Pray for: The upcoming Soul winner's training program at Bhogpur. The revival among the Jungle Par and Thari congregations. The Ministry to

be extended in Pirumadaraa and Jaspur area. Geeta, Anita, Gurmeet, Janseer and Saranjeet to be delivered from evil spirit. Raju, Khemchand and Binder to quit alcoholism. Sulchwinder, Babli, Shink, Charanjeet, Kalicharan, Sanjana, Pooja, Archana, Brijesh and others to confess their faith boldly.

Dineshpur:
Ramaswamy Jerome & Antoni Rajam

Praise God for: The word of God was shared in 1 new village to 35 new people. 8 satsangs and 6 night meetings were conducted. People at Dalpura village show much interest to the Gospel. Rakesh and Rajeshbabu show much interest in soul winning ministry after they attended training. Anil, Smitra and Sacoj were delivered from evil spirit possession.

Pray for: Shimla a believer's financial need to be met for a heart surgery. The believers who have migrated from five villages to Rajasthan for seasonal work must stay strong in the Lord. For Rajesh who suffered a head injury over a physical assault to recover well. For Anarkali suffering from anaemia and Rajkumar from swelling in the liver to be healed.



Nanakmatta:
Siva Kumar &
Susila Marak

Praise God for: The Word of God was shared newly in 8 villages. 6 persons have accepted the Lord as their personal Saviour and confessed their faith. 2 Bibles and 30 New Testaments were distributed. 7 Satsan programmes, 6 cottage prayers, 4 fasting prayers were conducted. The healing of Jashandeep from urinary track block. Kuldeep and Baljeet families are responding positively to the Gospel and have opened up their houses to conduct prayer meetings.

Pray for: The healing to Manpreet a 18 month old boy whose head is bigger than the body to be healed. Vikram Singh is to be delivered from the habit of alcohol addiction. Jeshan Singh who's both legs is broken in an accident to be healed soon. Lakhvindar is to be blessed with new cattle as his cow and a goat had died.

RAJASTHAN

Udaipur:
Ashish Kumar &
Savita Devi

Praise God for: 150 people and 4 villages were newly reached. 7 believers were added into His fold and 35 New Testaments were distributed. We were able to conduct 3 believers meet and a seekers camp. Ambala's brother had a successful liver surgery. The acquittal of a 10 – year old court case that was filed falsely on our local evangelist's son Raju is quashed by God's grace. The deliverance of Manilal, Seema and Pinku's from evil spirit. The Lord saved the missionary and his family from an accident.

Pray for: Saradit congregation to remain firm to the truth according to the Word of God and not to yield to the false teachings of certain Christian groups. The deliverance to Rasi, Jalamji and Khailasi from evil spirit tormentation, Soni who had miscarriage to conceive again. Our local evangelist Ashish Damor to receive healing from an infected liver.



Happy Birthday

MR. JOHN KULLU

Hanumangarh:
Mudhavathu Raju &
Bhukya Jhansibai

Praise God For: A new congregation was established in Manksar village. Surrender Singh got selected for a government job. Around 280 Rai Sikhs heard the Word of God in a Satsung. Our believer Kushum Singh who was arrested for false allegation got bail after 6 months of prayer.

Pray for: Shyam Kour who is admitted in Jaipur hospital for treatment of Cancer. Saniya's to have a normal and safe delivery. Church elder's son to get visa, as he is planning to study in Canada. Sathpal Bhai to be healed from kidney stone, For Majbhi Sikh, Rai Sikh, Jhat Sikh people group may come into the fold of the lord Jesus Christ.

Khajuwala:
Kumar & Patricia

Praise God for: Our believers in Rawla Mandi and Thavania Colony are sharing the Good News to their neighbours. Our believer Lanjam has built a new house. Preet got

healed from the injuries when she met with an accident. Our believers were blessed with good harvest and also through the sales of vegetables cultivated in their farms.

Pray for: Guruveendar who is trying to join Indian Army in this year. The brothers of Madhurai are to know the love of God. The regular meetings are to be conducted without any obstacle. Sukhpal's elder son who is deaf and dumb and his elder daughter who is mentally distorted are to get miraculous healing.

UTTAR PRADESH

Bansi:
Konka Giri Babu &
Lourdu Mary

Praise God for: 250 people were newly reached. 10 New Testaments and 58 Jesus story books were distributed. Good response among 2 people groups - Jamalpur Kushwaha & Mohara. At Bansi, Kanikpura people group have begun to attend our Sunday worship. Mohara Seharia people group is receptive to the Gospel. 2 villages – Mohara & Kejpai are newly reached with the Gospel.

Pray for: Our weekly visit to 10 villages of the Seharia people group to be fruitful. The healing of Naturam and Kure from Amnesia, Arjun Lal's family-sickle cell anemia, and Hema - skin disease. For the street preaching at Jamalpur among Kushwaha and Nai people group to be fruitful.



Gonda Boys Hostel: Om Prakash Gupta & Tumpa Chowdhury

Praise God for: Our Hostel children participated in the Regional level youth camp and won first prize in the Bible test. For the fruitful ministry through small groups, Bible study groups and follow up ministry. Archana is conceived after 7 years of married life.

Pray For: The court case in Lucknow regarding the hostel campus to be acquitted. The 15 of our children are going to appear 10th and 12th board exams. The salvation of villagers in Bhalva, Tilkhai and Gangwal. Tumpa Chowdhury is under treatment for kidney and knee problem. The hostel children are to grow spiritually and to remain healthy.

Kanpur Region: J. Srinivasan & Sheeba G

Praise God for: 58 persons were added into His fold. 300

youths participated in the youth camp were encouraged to live for God. Our field visit to Kaimganj and Bharthana fields was an encouragement to the believers. 23 villages were reached and Jesus film was screened in 17 places through our Jeep Team. 647 New Testaments were distributed in Haseran field.

Pray for: Jaylal our evangelist, Kishorilal our Church elder, Phoola Devi and Srimati Sahu, our believers are in the prison at Fathepur for their faith in Christ, and that they may be released soon. For the believers in Bahua & Bindki Church Believers to stand firm in their faith as they are also facing threats constantly from the anti-Christian elements and its administration. All Church committees to function well to handle persecution. Anti-Christian elements are active in Fathepur District disturbing our believers in the church, hospitals and now in Christian Schools. They are now targeting Ghatampur and Pukhrayan. Our team to have the wisdom and guidance of God utilise the open doors, before it will be shut down. Local level leadership is to be strengthened through on-going the Bible Study groups and trainings.



MADHYA PRADESH

Dabra:

Satikant Paricha & Sagarika

Praise God for: 300 people were newly reached. 10 people were added into His fold. 100 New Testaments and 12 Bibles were distributed. Sandeep and Swapna will newly join us in the ministry. For Atar Singh as he rejoined us in this ministry. An outreach meeting was held in Brijpur, where 30 people attended. For the good progress in Mehgaon congregation. Sunday worship has been newly started in Jail Road Area.

Pray for: The need of Church elders, to be raised in every congregation. The Church members in Dhari, Sultanpur, and Nayagaon Churches to be revived from worldly lifestyle. Kalu and Bhavna,

Vijay and Bhaijanti families to be blessed with children. Visu and Sangetta to be delivered from evil spirit possession. The salvation of Naheonda and Hatam Singh families.

Pansemal:

Vasava Bhangsingh & Yemanben

Praise God for: 2 new persons were added to His fold. God's Word was preached in five villages, and a TV program was conducted. Many people invited the missionaries to pray for them and are interested to listen to the Word. God protected the missionaries when their bike got punctured while they were driving on the hills.

Pray for: The believers who have migrated to other states for work to be strong in their spiritual life. Aakabai of Chinchliya village who is young but is deserted by her husband to be healed from tumor in the Spinal cord. Surban from Kevdi is diagnosed to have sickle cell disease is weak and unable to walk.



Happy Birthday

MRS. SHEEBA JASMINE JUBARAJ

Nepanagar:
**Jubaraj Bardhan &
Sheeba Jasmine**

Praise God for: Gospel was preached in 3 villages newly. 5 persons have accepted the Lord as the Saviour of their life. 2 special meetings were conducted in Pateldhana and Bamlaphat. God delivered Sandeep, a 2-year-old boy, when he was bitten by a poisonous snake and was prayed for by Church elder Sobharam. God healed Mamta, son from vomiting and diarrhea when another believer Rajlimani prayed for her. When Mangala Bhai's husband prayed for her to be freed from her fear of a mysterious figure she saw while attending nature's call at night, God delivered her.

Pray for: Baliram, once a drunkard gave up drinking but went astray from faith behind some guru and is fully indulged in worshipping that guru to resume back to faith. For the tension between the tribal people and the forest officials for cutting down the trees in the forest

to subside soon. Because those officials consider the missionaries as problem monger and abettor of Naxals. For the believers who have migrated to other places for sugarcane cutting and manual labour works to be safe and steadfastness in their faith in Christ. Sunil's mother who went missing from house to come back safely.

Khalwa:
R. Isaac & Seetha

Praise God for: The Gospel was shared to 100 new people. 10 New Testaments and 2 Bibles were distributed. Bajan meetings were conducted for 2 days in Dharani. 2 days fasting prayer was conducted. Banu was healed from jaundice when her son a believer prayed for her. When the local evangelist prayed for Munna who was pathetically moving along on his knee, God helped him to walk on his legs. Ram lal was healed from piles problem and Rahul from the complication caused by giving injection when he had chicken pox.

Pray for: Shyam Lal to get back his eyesight that he had lost 6 years back. Kolu to be delivered from ganja addiction, and Rampal, Amarsingh and Jaisingh from alcoholism. Local evangelist Sobaram to be healed from the stomach pain that he suffers from very often.



Happy Birthday

MRS. RANI JESILET PAUL ALBERT

JHARKHAND

Gorpada: Kinsly & Shiny

Praise God for: The healing to Devaraj of Landipahadi and Sachin of Badudha from Typhoid, Vimala Gade from Vomiting & Diarrhoea, Salomi of Golkunda from Typhoid, Abraham of Thillepada from Fever, Davood family members from Fever and Rebecca of Thillepada from Malaria. Daniel's miraculous recovery from unconsciousness near a river. Evangelist Vijay's daughter who recovered from sickness in a hostel.

Pray for: The church services to be continued uninterruptedly as the Church Elders have migrated for work. The healing to Kailya and Jamri from enlarged spleen, Debora from seizures, Perpada from TB. A successful surgery to Esther who is suffering from Ovarian Fibroid. Rama & Jomey families who are new seekers to grow in faith. The growth and spiritual progress of our CDC Children in Baludha.

St. Thomas English School - Pandeni:

**Victor & Nahomi,
Kipgen & Mawi,
Chandini, Mercy, Helen**

Praise God for: The children had their sports day for 3 days and they enjoyed and exhibited their talents in Football, Cricket and other athletic events. 11 girls and 14 boys studying in Class IX and X participated in the youth camp arranged in Dumka. 500 books were received from Prayer Group members, Chennai for the School library.

Pray for: The students to score well in the forthcoming first terminal examination. Dharamraj and Premdass who have gone to Trivandram to do B.Com; 12 students are studying in Class XI and XII in Keren Public School near Madurai to perform well and score high marks in their studies. The good health of the following children who often fall ill: Suith Ashan, Munna Santhosh, Calvin Lazarus, George Sanjay, Sandip Chotasurja, Davud Ramchandrar and Deva Tilla. Baidah UKG, due to his weakness he is unable to stay in the Hostel. The 17 native staff who are staying in Pandeni school campus need good residence.



Happy Birthday
MRS. ANGEL RONJAY NARZARY

Hansdiah:

Senthil Kumar Timothy & Muthu Selvi

Praise God for: The 350 people reached with the Gospel in 7 villages. 16 people have accepted Jesus as their personal Savior. 200 children have participated in VBS and 100 of them are non-believers. One of our believer's families in the village Bhagatpur near Sagara left the ox tied to a rope and went to the market. It was severely injured by another ox which came and hit it with a horn. The people of the whole village, who were watching this, didn't come forward to help them as they are Christians. Praise God that, it was saved by people from a different village.

Pray for: Ringu Kastha who is struggling with uterine fibroids for about 8 months to be healed soon. New believers namely Thalkududu and Samay Tudu to be healed from TB. Puthu Tudu, a young man who is from Sargara village to be healed from brain damage who is the only bread winner of the family. The spirit of adultery to

be destroyed in Jamunia village, because of which there are many broken marriages. There is a need for casual volunteers. Let each congregation find the soul for Christ and fulfill their targets.

Amarapara:

Vyasu Babu & Sowndarya Rekha

Praise God For: 744 New People were reached with the Gospel in 10 villages. 12 Bibles were distributed. 9 believers joined the fold of Jesus. 236 children attended the VBS programme and were nurtured by the Word of God conducted in 3 places. 13 youth committed their life to serve Lord Jesus Christ. God healed David Soren from paralytic attack, Sohontar Marandi from malaria, Babujon Hansda from hydrocele, Asik Hembrom from pneumonia & typhoid, Pramesor Hansda from Jaundice and Sonatan Marandi from Epilepsy. Rajmuni Murmu, evangelist Nelson Marandi's wife was healed from stomach pain caused by gall bladder stone and jaundice through prayer and local medicine without surgery.

Pray for: Sumi Hembrom, Mariyam Besra and Lukas Hembrom to be healed from Epilepsy, Dulad Hansda from pneumonia, Suruj Murmu from Malaria, Munsu Marandi and Nirmol Murmu from Tuberculosis. Bablu Basky, and Richard Hansda families to be blessed with children. The need of lands to build Churches in Kalidoha and Dhobarna villages.



Happy Birthday

MRS. KAVITHA THIMMESH
MR. FELIX KAMALIOL EDWARD S.S.

Pathna & Barharwa Girls Santal Hostel:

**Peter Prabhakaran
& Vimala;
Vasava Aruna Ben;
Chingneisian;
Krishna Veni;
Alice Sheeba**

Praise God for: 1069 people were reached in 10 villages and 9 people have been added in His Kingdom. God protected Salomi Hansda from snake bite. Around 43 youth gathered for the annual youth convention. Among them Mariam had committed her life for fulltime ministry. A Bible study group has been started in Gargarwa village. God saved the lives of Santhi Murmu who fell unconscious during the devotion

and Paulina Marandi who fell in the rest room during night due to brain TB and became unconscious. Dindugal & Rajapalyam Prayer Groups visited the children and encouraged them.

Pray for: The dedication of a small Church at Dohojor that had been built by the believers themselves. The healing hand of God on Sanjay Soren and Kanu Hembrom from T.B, Sogle, Kangay Soren, Shree Soren & Barka Murmu from Paralytic attack, Sogle, Parvathi Tudu from infection in the blood, Dagra Murmu from Kidney problem, Baniyadi, Rebekka Hansda from gynecological Problem. Some suitable persons to take up the responsibility of the Church elders in Chatra, Simaldap as the previous Church elders have migrated for work. The slow learners to study well. The Dinning Hall construction work to be completed soon. The electricity issue needs to be solved soon, because the children are suffering without water and light.



Tinpahad & Bhagaya:
Jebakumar & Ponlatha;
Nehemiah & Anamika
Pegu; Bipin Bihari &
Jhanana Parichha

Praise God for: The Gospel was shared to around 800 people through Gospel Ratham programme in Jetaeri, Pairiyagitha and Patharkani villages. God healed our first believer Buljuri from paralytic attack when our local evangelist prayed for him. Makini was delivered from demon possession after 18 years and has accepted the Lord now. 2 other families are showing interest in the Gospel. Choti Gujur, a nonbeliever, was bitten by a snake and she came to the church and requested our local evangelist pray for her and the Lord healed her and now she is growing in the faith. Mahendar once a drunkard was delivered from alcoholism prayed as a family for a woman in his village who was demon possessed and she was delivered.

Pray for: The Madhan Church to be dedicated for the glory of the Lord soon. A Church to be built soon in the land got in Paise village. For God to bless the efforts taken to build Churches in Masuriya, Kolapanna. For forthcoming meetings to be a blessing for the believers.

Nonihat: Benhur M &
Mary Johnsy Rani

Praise God for: Gospel was preached to 850 people in the last month. 27 of them were added to His fold in the last month. 10 new villages heard the Good news. Thamni Marandi got healed from swollen stomach. Sipvon Giri got healed from cancer. VBS was conducted at 4 different places where 225 children participated. 27 of them participated and learnt to write and read through adult literacy programmes.

Pray for: For an opportunity for the people of Majara, Aasna, Kurva, Mojsla villages to hear the Good News through Jesus film. The Churches in the various villages to grow rapidly spreading the Good News to all the villagers. The believers who are suffering from cancer and stroke to experience the healing touch of our Lord. Siplal Marandi, who was electrocuted while working, recovered completely through prayer.



Happy Birthday

MR. PAUL SOLOMON D.

WESTBENGAL

Malda: A. Ramakrishna @
Eliya & Anjali

Praise God for: Gospel was preached in 23 Villages newly. Soniti Murmu who deserted her long back returned as an answer to the prayers. All night prayers were conducted in Mutrudanga, Salbona villages. House to house evangelism was done in 146 houses. Neemdanga, and Manikpur believers are steadfast in their faith and proclaiming Gospel to their relatives. God healed Hiramuni Murmu and Orpita Tudu from jaundice.

Pray for: The people who heard the Gospel to respond positively and to boldly confess their faith in the Lord. The people who migrate due to drought in West Bengal, because of scarcity of rain fall that stunt the growth of the Church and the believers. A particular political party is creating enmity between

the tribes and the Non-tribes in land issues which causes an end to the evangelistic work here; the problem be dealt and solved amicably. The anti Christian elements to stop opposing the Gospel. The false prophets who are demanding Rs. 3000–10,000 to chase off the evil spirits from the houses must repent of their evil ways.



God the protector!

Tuni Devi of Rampur Field, Himachal was returning home to Sari along with her husband, Buddi Singh. After getting out of the vehicle, they started walking toward their home. As they walked, all of a sudden, a big snake crawled on Tuni Devi's leg and almost reached her hip. Out of fear and shock she screamed and jumped, and within a minute, the snake crawled back she was left unharmed. Praise God for the miraculous escape from the venomous snake bite.

Injured not fatal!

Anmol Singh a youth from the Budhalada area of Punjab, met with a terrible accident. But He escaped with minor fractures in his hand, the bike fell inside the canal, but God saved him from more dangerous injuries.





Happy Birthday

MRS. NISHA DAVID MASIH

Tapan:

**Kingsly Livingston &
Delphin, Ranjan Khasala,
Vanaparla Satish Kumar**

Praise God for: Parimol Baskey from Taosi village got healed from paralysis and accepted Christ as his Savior. 6 new souls were added in the fold of our Christ. Through 10 outreach ministry, 50 house by house evangelism, 7 Night Meetings, 700 persons heard the Gospel. Niranjan Soren family from this field, has been selected to do ministry as an Evangelist in this region.

Pray for: The field target to be achieved. Susian to be delivered from fear of Humans, Bhodol from fear of evil spirit, and Nurul from fear of politicians. The Teens and Youth to be delivered from the addiction of playing PUBG and use of Social media to leave and come closer to our Lord. The upcoming programs like night meeting, film program, mass outreach, believers camp, Church elders camp and House to House Prayers to be conducted

successfully and to be fruitful. The evangelist family, Church Elders family & Volunteers to be enriched by the power of Holy Spirit & Gospel to excel in their ministry as well as to bring the peoples to Christ. So that the Heaven will cherish by our ministry. Raju 5 years and Nayan 9 years of married life to be blessed with children.

Asom

Silapathar:

**Gond Devuvishram &
Randhe Naynaben**

Praise God for: The missionaries who have newly settled down in this field. Gospel was shared with 1 person. The villagers of Akajan are showing good response to the Gospel. God kept all the believers safe during this monsoon season.

Pray for: The missionaries to bring many people for the Lord in this new mission field. The salvation of the villagers from Kankannagar, Akajan, Bormurya, Gandhinagar 1, 2 and 3, Kathalgur, Sithamari, Mishingpur and Somaniya are to know the true God. Jagadish, Devnat and his wife are to be delivered from alcoholism. Many more staffs are needed to join us to reach these people for the Lord. Baba, Mohan and Appi families are ready to confess their faith in the Lord. The believers in Sithamari congregation who are yet to be delivered from alcoholic addiction and to lead a witnessing life among the non-believers.



Happy Birthday
MRS. DEVA KIRUBAI VIJAI BABU

GUJARAT

**Bhavnagar: Akilesh
Kumar & Kiran Devi**

Praise God for: 2 villages were newly reached with the Gospel. 2 persons have come to faith in the Lord. 39 people heard the Gospel through the outreach ministry in Nari, Bhavnagar Visharma society and KMS Company. Three of them accepted Christ in their lives. The Lord delivered Geetaben family and Nileshbhai from demon possession.

Pray for: Kamlesh, Brijesh and Brother - In - law of Ramchandra's family to be delivered from the clutches of evil spirit. For Jaguben who is looking for a good job to help us in this ministry. Our believing ladies in Bhavnagar village are currently unable to attend prayer meetings because of family restrictions. Falguniben's family members to profess their faith in Jesus Christ.

**Choramba:
Pushparaj &
Jyothi Nirmala**

Praise God for: 101 people were newly reached with the Word. We had encouraging time during our visit to Sanodara, Ragipura and Kanwar villages as we prayed for their needs. Nitaben and few backslidden believers have rejoined worship service. 25 ladies attended a meet at Kasvav village. Gospel was shared to Manjuben and Pinkiben.

Pray for: VBS Programme was conducted at Rajvaad and Kasvav villages. The believers in Rajwad, Fulwadi and Dadakui Churches to repent and have conviction through the holy spirit. Nileshbhai and Ravitaben are to be blessed with children that give an open door in their villages. For the deliverance of young believers who are addicted to mobile phones which keep them disinterested in Church activities. The deliverance of Deepak, Vilesh from alcoholism, Babitha from sickle cell disease, Nilesh - kidneystone. Our believers in Batuvada village to have an active faith. The Churches at Rajavad and Fulvad to be restored. For Manjuben and Pinkiben to respond to the Gospel.



Vijaya Nagar:

Vijaya Kumar & Susheela

Praise God for: 5 persons were added into His fold. Thavariben got healing from 6 months of gynaecological problem through prayer. God healed Aryan our believer's 3 year old son from burnt wounds. A family from Chitradri village is newly attending the Church service. Maju Ben's BP became normal through prayer.

Pray for: The deliverance of women folk from witchcraft who go into the forest areas during festive season to practice witchcraft and invoke the spirits of darkness. The deliverance to Bindu and Remeela from 15 years of evil spirit tormentation. For a divine consolation to Jagdish's family members as he died in an accident. He is survived by his wife and 4 small children. The healing of Khokhra from urinal bleeding, Shantilal - swelling in knees. Pray for the completion of Church construction in Dabaicha, Sigari and Samplaipanva congregations, without any hindrance.

DADRA & NAGAR HAVELI

Randha Home:

Marcus Malto & Sara

Praise God for: The Lord healed many children who were suffering from scabies with proper treatment. 47 Hostel children attended the youth meeting at Jhawda and were blessed. Many college students attended the field level youth meet in Silvasa.

Pray for: The need of committed warden and a cook family to serve in our hostel. The healing to our staff Suman's son Santhlal and Naresh's son Ankit and daughter Nitiksha who are suffering from skin disease and ear infection. Pray for the children who are weak in their studies to perform well in their studies.



Mother's faith!

In Baiguri village of Pansamal field in Madhya Pradesh, a small girl named Anushka was playing with a coin. While having lunch she swallowed the coin and didn't tell her mother. Even after 2 days the coin did not come out. The mother was afraid but cling on to her faith with prayed. After two days the coin was found when the child defecated. The mother praised God saying without any medical expense her daughter became alright. Thank God!





**Khanvel:
Arul Aseer &
Suguna**

Praise God for: The 100 youths from 3 churches participated in the youth meeting. The Dhablon Church was dedicated for God's glory. God healed a little girl Kinjel Rama from severe chest pain when they fasted and prayed. Anoj, our believer's son got healed from piles.

Pray for: the complete healing to Sillubai from Padjai village who is a backslidden believer is now diagnosed with cancer in its final stage. Ramuben to be healed from swelling in the uterus, Ranjana, Salini and Lasi ben from allergy, Banny Ben from heart problem and Kanchan Ben from Thyroid problem. Our believers to grow spiritually and be firm in their faith and not to backslide at any cost.

MAHARASHTRA

**Igathpuri: Nagarajan &
Thilagavathy**

Praise God for: 20 New Testaments and 2 Bibles were distributed. Gospel was proclaimed newly in 3 villages. Bible study was conducted in Shirshet and Morambi villages. The Lord heard the prayers of Sureka of Vihigav village and brought her husband back after three years. God healed Sathiyabama of Vadivara village from eye problem, Vishal and Yohan of Morambi village from Pneumonia, Kanguben of Karoli village from chest pain, Ashaben of Vihigav village from urinary infection, and Lalitha of Chamni village from breathing problem and chest pain.

Pray for: Dhara is facing stiff opposition from her in-laws in Masurli village. Jhanku from Vihi Village, to be healed from deafness and his grandson Deepak is to be able to walk. Our believers to be courageous instead of fearful of high caste people who does not allow them to worship the Lord in their own village. The Katkari people group who live in the hills with no basic facilities to accept Christ. The persons who are involved in kidnapping children in Igathpuri area to repent and leave such wicked activity.



Thalasari:
Mayilsamy &
Yesumani

Praise God for: 10 people have joined His fold from Modgoan village. Gospel was proclaimed in Anjorey, Saverpada, Saganpada villages. 25 youth participated in the youth meeting. Spiritual meetings for believers were conducted in 6 places and women's meetings in 4 places. Outreach ministry was conducted in Barshoth, Chinchpada, Thanori, and Pikarpada.

Pray for: The special programs that have been planned in Oservihira and Sensari villages to be conducted without any disturbance. The persons who are getting ready to confess their faith and such programe not to get cancelled as happened in

the previous attempt. An open door and to get new contacts in Barshoth, Chinchpada, Thanori, and Pikarpada.

Savda:
Venkadesh Waddar &
Sheeba

Praise God For: The Gospel was shared to 398 persons in 8 new villages, Film was screened in 14 places and 96 Gospel packets were distributed. 14 believers have joined the fold of Jesus. Indhu Dhada and Seetha Bhai from Kandari village were delivered from 7 years of alcohol addictions and demon possession. Bhajan program and Joining the Fold of Jesus service was conducted successfully and all the meeting expenses were taken care off by the believers themselves.

Pray for: Khuvar Singh from Kalkud village who believe and is involved in witchcraft to be delivered. Vishvan Maharsh from Chanya Dalav village who opposes our ministry to repent. Roshni from Kandari to speak clearly. Dhuvargi Bhai to get clear eye sight. Seela of Oddora from bleeding problem. Ramlal Dhada from mental illness.



Happy Birthday

MRS. VENI JOHN

Jimmalagatta:

Srinivas V & Sunitha

Praise God for: 3 villages were newly reached with the Gospel. 30 New Testaments were distributed. Bible study was conducted in 17 places; follow up ministry was done in 22 villages. Out reach ministry was done in 5 places. Arathi a believer who had backslidden from faith resumed back to faith and is attending the Sunday service regularly when she was diagnosed with stomach tumor and sought for prayer and is healed now.

Pray for: Semi-Permanent Churches to be built before Christmas in Yerragadda & Perkabatti villages. For the seekers to accept the Lord and boldly confess their faith. Rajitha to be healed from heavy head ache and decreasing eyesight, Devakka's mother from pneumonia and decreased platelets in blood, Rathnabai Pardesi from paralytic attack, Pragnya and Sharada from mental disorder. Venkatti Kumari is to be delivered from witchcraft. Venkatti Kondagorla's mother's both kidneys got failed. Dileep Athram and family who are married for 10

years, Santhosh Gomase and family for 14 years, Venkatti Kummari and family for 15 years and Sukumar family to be blessed with children.

Molgi: Bharanidharan & Selvarani; Kshirod Pratap & Preetilata Pasuru

Praise God for: 6 people were added to God's flock. 300 people were reached with the Gospel. 1 film program was conducted at Sallibari, one-day fasting prayer was conducted in 4 places, follow-up ministry in 10 places, ladies meeting in 7 places children class in 10 places, and youth meeting at Thegel were a blessing. 20 New Testaments and 2 Bibles were distributed. Youth Bible study is going on regularly at Bharkund and Bhijirigoan. Youth prayer cells are regularly conducted in Bharkund, Sagliumar, Bhijirigoan, Gigdabari and Sagdibari. 2 new families started attending the worship at Jamana. Kunniya Dhadha got healed from a hearing problem. Durga Bai from Thorkapada who was backslidden started coming back to worship again.

Pray for: The believers to be strong in faith. Fulabai to be delivered from evil spirit possession. Nobiliya to be healed from Kidney problem, Leelabai from a urinary infection, and Sevanthibai of Sagliumar from a swollen mouth to be healed soon. For forthcoming medical camp at Bharkund from EHA hospital. Church construction is to be finished soon at Thel, Mattiyabari, Vitlabari, Welkhadi and Bharkund.



Happy Birthday

MRS. LIBENI JAMI

Allapalli:

**Kuldeep Singh &
Gurpreet Kaur**

Praise God for: 5 new villages were reached with the Gospel. 23 fasting prayers, 88 small group prayers, 23 women's prayer cell, 1 youth camp and 1 seekers camp were conducted. 15 New Testaments and 5 Bibles were distributed. Janna Bai was delivered from evil spirit and Madhuri Bai from eating tobacco. Outreach was done with 2 drama programs. Sangeet Kohade suddenly suffered from severe pain in her head and also sweated when her husband had gone for out reach ministry. With faith she refused to go to hospital and asked her son to pray, God healed her.

Pray for: Programs like Mela, two days Seekers Camp, Church elders training, Women leaders training, Bible study, and leaders training to be a blessing. God to

heal Saniya from heart problem, Kiran from fits, Ankush Hichami and Dimpal Hichami from sickle-cell, Rushi Hichami from one side paralysis. God to deliver Neeta Durva and Shusheela Bai from demon possession. Arpan Mattami, a 6 year old boy who can't speak, hear, talk and also not able to eat to experience the divine touch of our Lord. God to deliver Kelash Gurnul from one side paralysis and drinking habit and Jamuji from drinking habit.

Akkalkuwa:

**Jagmohan Singh &
Swati**

Praise God for: 110 new people heard God's word and 5 new believers were added to His fold. 1 believer's training camp and 2 seekers camps were conducted. In 10 villages follow up ministry was done. In addition to the regular Sunday services and weekly meets, 3 meetings for children were conducted.

Pray for: For Nilesh who is sick for the past 4 months and for Deepak with anemia to receive healing. For God to provide resources to maintain the churches. For the believers to grow in faith. For the planned mass outreach in the future to be fruitful.



Ettopalli:

Arvind Vasave & Eju

Praise God for: 2000 new people have heard the Word of God. About 10 became believers. 12 New Testaments were distributed. The Drama programme held at Vasamundi, Jeveli and Krusnar village whereabout 1500 people heard the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Believer's camps were held at Ettopalli, Pukse, Udera and Ghatsur villages. For women's meeting which was held at Parsalgondi, Ghatsur and Balepalli villages. In 3 places, seekers camp was held and more than 20 people received healing from various sicknesses. 7 new families are coming to the Church

Pray for: God's grace to a new seeker Yuvaraj Kumoti who is unable to speak & walk. Roshni, Ramesh to be healed from mental illness & Chinni Vadde from paralysis. Those people in Gatta village evincing interest in the faith, but unable to make a commitment because of community pressures. For ministry to be possible in Kotmi

area. For Kunni Maha suffering from Cancer to receive healing.

Sangvi & Chopda Home: Gopikrishna & Menaga

Praise God for: The 180 new people who could hear God's Word in about 4 new villages. 2 new believers were added to His fold. Rev Kamalesh who counselled students of 10th and 12th. The students from 6th to 12th grades are attending Saturday Bible Study regularly. A one day retreat was conducted for hostel students. One day fasting prayer was conducted at Velida, Mohide, Kanjiyapada and Bhilkheda villages and around 42 people participated. Ladies meetings are regularly conducted at Mahadev, Kanjiyapada and Velade villages. 3 days VBS programs were conducted for hostel children. Kamala was healed from swelling in the uterus.

Pray for: The permission to be got to build a Church at Velode village. The believers of Mahadev village to grow in the Lord. The people of Amalgoav village to accept Christ into their lives. A youth meet to be held at Chopda field. Ramesh who is bedridden for the past 5 years to be healed. The prevailing opposition at Bhivkeda and Velode villages to cease. God's grace to protect Thalner village believers. For a new worship to be started at Nanjiyapada village.



Happy Birthday

MRS. HEMALATHA RAVI RAJ

Vadfally:

**Bidyut Kumar Singh;
Hebal Hemram**

Praise God for: 401 new people in about 3 new villages heard the Gospel. 5 new believers were added to His fold. 2 New Testaments were distributed. 8 Children's classes, 2 seekers camp, fasting prayer at 3 places and 12 Bible studies were conducted. Satarpada youth camp was successfully held in Sakti area. For all our field believers who came and attended the regional one day Mela. In spite of long travel, they took the effort to come and participate.

Pray for: The new believers to grow in faith through the Church services. The deliverance of Champa from evil spirit possession. God to help us fulfill our vision 2030 with the co-operation of our believers. The believers who have migrated to Gujarat for work

that they may live set apart lives in this corrupt world. For the Church elders of Vadfally field to be responsible in the ministry and Church service.

KARNATAKA

Shiggaon:

Sunil Kumar & Sangeetha

Praise God for: 400 people and 5 villages were newly reached. Shiggaon Church anniversary was celebrated for the glory of God. Sunita conceived after 7 years as she believed and prayed for a child. Santosh who was protected in an accident. The regular Bible study at Dhunsi and the outreach ministry at Chickmalli village went on well. A Church elders meeting and a women's meet were conducted at Dhunsi Church.

Pray for: Laxanna to be healed of his cancerous tumour in his kidneys. Fakirappa and Rajeshwari are suffering from cancer. Shivaji a college lecturer is opposing the ministry to be touched by the love of Jesus. The salvation of Somu, Maruti, Darappa, Fakirappa, Mahdevappa and Rajeshwari. The backslidden believers at Challabi is to be restored to faith. Girjamma a new believer is to be healed of her stomach ailment.



Happy Birthday

MR. DAVID MASIH
MRS. BHARUDE CHILABAI RADYA

**Khanapur:
Vinayaraj &
Shantha Vinayaraj**

Praise God for: Gospel was shared in Gadikoppa, Madi-Gunji, Itigi, Bidi, Kakkeri, Bekawada, kadathana Bagewadi and Nandagada villages without any problem through jeep team along with the Church elders. A new believer Laxmi from Kadathana Bagewadi who was on her deathbed due to cancer, received instant healing miraculously when our Church elder Rudrappa prayed for her and she is able to go for work now and earn. Thanks giving program was also arranged by laxmi's family and also have dedicated her brother's child in the Church. Basavaraj who had liver infection is recovering now

Pray for: The permission and registration process of Nandagad Church land to be completed soon. Basavaraj's family to

clear their debts soon and to be relieved from mental tension. Our believer Shivrangini's mother who is paralyzed hip-down to be healed and Avakka to be delivered from 3 years of witchcraft. Missionary Vinayaraj's health to be recovered quickly that there should not be any sign of re-growth or any progressions in the operated area of his brain.



Shackles broken!

Sakriyabai from Velugam village of Thalassari, Maharashtra was suffering from evil spirit for 15 days and was also mentally affected. They took him to the hospital and they spent lot of money on medicines yet it was in vain He was bound with ropes for more than 15 days in his house. As they could not keep him at home, they took him to the Church. All the believers and the Church elders prayed for him continually during fasting prayer meeting. God heard their prayers and delivered him completely from the clutches of demon possession and mental illness. He gave him a sound mind. He is now attending prayer and Sunday services. Praise God!





Happy Birthday
MRS. MANISELVI SARATHY

Andhra Pradesh

Madanapalli:

Venkatesan C. Crescens & Sasikala

Praise God for: The following people are newly participating in the prayer meetings: Padmavathi, Ravi, Shivani, Syamamma, Ramachandra, Surendra, Padmamma, Mangamma, Nagarathna, Thippakka and Venkatamma. The following people have renewed their faith in the outreach prayers: Aruna and family, Lakkaiah and family, Ganganna, Dheena, Gayatri, Sarasamma and Nirmalamma. 8 believer's night meetings were conducted and 4 follow up village ministries were done

Pray for: Shivani to get complete healing from mental illness. A

Church land is to be got in Dandoluru. More man power is needed to reach out many villages. Sambavi, Lakshmi, Aruna, Susmita to be blessed with children. The forthcoming outreach programs and Jesus film programs are to be fruitful and without any interruption. The healing to Surendra due to dog bite.



Prayer - The Secret Weapon!

Sorpiyu from Nepanagr Field in Madhya Pradesh's one-year-old son was stung by a scorpion, and he was very serious. Previously, Sorpiyu used to oppose our ministry in Bamlaphat. The family, along with the boy, went to our believer's house and stood in front of it. The lady of the house, Mrs. Ramkali, started asking why they had come. Sorpiyu, with tears filling her eyes, narrated the incident and requested that they pray for the boy. Ramkali and other believers prayed for the boy, and at that moment, the boy was healed. Hallelujah.





Happy Birthday

MR. ANBAIAH P.
MR. ARUN KUMAR G.
MR. DANIEL MARVELRAJ D.

TAMILNADU

Ilampillai:

Wilson & Jeya

Praise God for: The 21st anniversary of the Church at Illampillai where 150 people took part in the service. Believer Saranya got admission for B.Sc Nursing. Tijo Paul, who was unable to walk for some time, received healing through his mother's prayer in faith. For Ranjithamani who received financial assistance she had been hoping for.

Pray for: The people who took part in the anniversary celebrations to receive salvation. For Kathiresan, Dhanasekaran and Kumar to progress in their faith journey. The family of Irusaye to remain steadfast in their faith. Alagamma, Nila, Kumar, Maheswari to receive

salvation. The believers not to be disheartened over their debt issues, but to pray in faith seeking the Lord to help them.

Mecheri:

**Dharmaraj R. R &
Maria Selvi**

Praise God for: Good news was shared in 1 new village to about 20 new people. Esther, Poongothai and Dineshraj who were able to find jobs. The house prayer meetings that were conducted in the believers houses in Sathapadi and Kukkalpatti villages. The peace that the Lord brought in the family of Sathima & Rathnavel

Pray For: Geetha who is recovering from a kidney ailment. More people to join the house prayer meet next time in Sathapadi and Kukkalpatti villages. Prayer groups to be started in Amaram, Kukkampatti and Podhigaipatti villages and for people to respond to these meets. For the Lord to meet out the debt problems that John Samuel and David are facing. For the seed of God's Word sown in these villages to bear much fruit in the days to come.



Happy Birthday

MR. CHAUDHARY RAJESH DHAVLEBHAJ
MR. ANIL MAHALI

Chengam:
Joshuah K. S

Praise God for: First level Church elders trainings were conducted in 9 centers. This training has helped them to develop their Bible reading, Prayer, meditating the Word of God and soul winning area. Care cells were conducted in 4 villages. Prayer bulletin was prepared for the Church elders and the evangelists. Sathanur Church day was celebrated along with the Church sponsors.

Pray for: The second level Church elders training that has been started to be fruitful. To start a TAFTEE course for degree level and certificate levels soon. Sathanur Church elder Selvam's accident case to be acquitted. Settu and Girija to get suitable life partners. Shanthi to be delivered from demon possession.



Hand of the Creator!

Bhurkibai from Bamlaphat in Nepanagr Field, Madhya Pradesh, was disturbed to see her cow having a very tough time delivering a calf. The cow struggled for all day. Bhurkibai and her family members started praying for the cow and asked God to help the cow have a safe delivery. By God's grace, when the prayer was over, the cow had given birth to a calf. But to Bhurkibai and her family members' dismay, the cow did not allow the calf to drink milk from its udder. When the calf went near to drink milk, the cow used to be very wild. It kicked and pushed the calf away. Not only that, when the family members tried to milk the cow, it didn't allow them either. This situation persisted for two days, and there was no sign of any leniency from the cow. A witch doctor suggested they do some pujas so that the cow may be tamed. But Bhurkibai vehemently refuted the idea, and in reply, she said to the witch doctor, "Our God is the creator of all things in the world. He has created everything, including this cow. He will indeed bring this cow to normalcy". Then she prayed for the cow. Soon after the prayer, she asked her daughter to go and milk the cow. Glory be to God, the cow did not behave violently but rather stood quietly and allowed to be milked. Moreover, from that time on, the cow allowed its calf to also drink milk from its udder. Hallelujah.



Rev. VEDIYAPPAN was born as the eldest son among two sisters to Mr. Lakshmanan and Mrs. Maari at Kailaayapuram in Dharmapuri district on 03.06.1974. He finished his MA and worked as a teacher in an English Medium school. He was married to Ms. Lakshmi daughter of Mr. Munusamy and Mrs. Thavamalli from Krishnagiri district on 08.02.2002.

His mother was often down with digestive problems and vomiting. In spite of taking her to many hospitals and several magicians, she was not healed. Due to this, his whole family was discouraged. At this juncture, a Local Evangelist, Mr. Devakumar, from FMPB's Southern Zone, visited his house, shared God's Word with them, and prayed for his mother. He invited his family to the Sunday service that was conducted in the nearby village called Maambatti. He also assured them that Jesus would heal his mother. His mother felt much well after attending the Sunday service. Then she attended the Sunday worships regularly and was healed completely. She accepted Jesus as her personal Saviour and confessed her faith in the Lord.

After his mother accepted the Lord Mr. Devakumar, shared God's Word with her children too. But they were not much interested in the Gospel. Since he repeatedly kept sharing about God's love they accepted the Lord. FMPB conducted an Eye camp in the school where he worked. Rev. V. Thomas a FMPB missionary who came for the eye camp shared more about Jesus to everyone gathered there. Following that they regularly attended the Sunday service as a family. They confessed their sins and accepted Jesus and professed that Jesus is the Lord of their lives.

After accepting Jesus, when Rev. V. Thomas shared about the ministry of FMPB, Mr & Mrs. VEDIYAPPAN got the burden to serve the Lord. They prayed as a family about it and decided not to continue as a teacher any more. God clearly spoke to him through the verses in Acts 3:1-10. He realised the love of Jesus in his life. He came to know more about the ministry done by FMPB through the Tamil magazine Araikooval (Friends Focus). He got an opportunity to attend the Tamil Nadu Annual camp conducted at Danishpet in 2008. God spoke to him through the messages and the field sharing and he committed to serve God fulltime.

As a family they attended the interview conducted in FMPB HQ in the year 2008 and was sent to Bethel Bible Institute for their training for a year. After the training they were placed in Kolamasanapalli in Chittoor district of Andhra Pradesh in 2009. Later in 2016 they were transferred to Kalakada field and at present Rev. VEDIYAPPAN is the Regional Secretary of Chittoor Region from 01.11.2022. They are blessed with two boys. Revanth born on 09.07.2003 is doing 1st year MBBS in Chennai. Bagavanth born on 27.01.2006 is studying 11th standard in Santhosha Vidhyalaya in Dhonavur. Let us uphold this family in our prayers.



**Rev. VEDIYAPPAN L
& Mrs. Lakshmi
Family**

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